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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE ON DIEGO GARCIA EXPANSION

1. PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION RESPONSE RECEIVED VERY LIMITED COVERAGE IN UK PRESS FEBRUARY 6. ONLY TWO MORNING PAPERS MENTIONED ITEM, BOTH IN LOW-KEY FASHION.

2. LONDON TIMES REPORTED THAT US/UK AGREEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED BY MINISTER JULIAN AMERY, GIVING DETAILS ON COST AND RUNWAY LENGTH. TIMES ALSO REPORTED FROM DELHI THAT BRITISH "BRUSHED ASIDE" INDIAN REPRESENTATIONS THAT INDIAN OCEAN SHOULD BE MAINTAINED AS ZONE OF PEACE.

3. DAILY TELEGRAPH PICKED STORY UP FROM WASHINGTON AS PART OF STORY ON SCHLESINGER TESTIMONY BEFORE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE. TELEGRAPH INCLUDED ONE SENTENCE TRAILER TO EFFECT THAT US/UK AGREEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

4. NO EDITORIAL COMMENT YET.

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